Hazardous Substances Emergency Events Surveillance (HSEES) Program

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services 2004 HSEES Events – Quarterly Summary * July 1 through September 30 (Third Quarter)

ST. LOUIS COUNTY

	Fixed Facility	Transportation	Total
County events this quarter:	2	3	5
Statewide events this quarter:	30	29	59

Types of Substances Released:

Anhydrous Ammonia Aqueous acrylic Emulsion Polymer Benzoic Acid Ethyl alcohol Propylene Glycol e

Number of Victims: 3

Types of Injuries Sustained:

Trauma – Not chemical related Burns – Thermal (2)

Injury Outcomes:

Treated at hospital – not admitted Treated at hospital – admitted Death on scene/on arrival at hospital

Number of Events with Evacuations: 2



Interesting Events:

The driver of a tanker truck clipped a stalled vehicle parked on the shoulder of a highway. The truck then rammed into the guardrail overturning causing the release of 4600 gallons of Ethyl Alcohol. The driver was taken to the hospital with minor injuries. Dozens of people were evacuated from nearby homes.

A tank filled with anhydrous ammonia exploded killing a suspected methamphetamine manufacturer and seriously injuring his sister-in-law. The blast occurred in the rear of the car that later crashed into a ditch near the entrance to a small subdivision. Four homes were evacuated.



^{*} Preliminary data - subject to change